

Docket No.: 515-4181

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of)
Giovanni Abatangelo et al.) Group Art Unit: 1633
Serial No.: 09/445,604) Examiner: Stroup, C.
Filed: December 7, 1999)

For: BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL COMPRISING AN EFFICACIOUS CELL CULTURE OF A BIOCOMPATIBLE AND BIODEGRADABLE THREE-DIMENSIONAL MATRIX CONSISTING OF A HYALURONIC ACID DERIVATIVE

New York, NY 10036
April 23, 2003

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR § 1.26(a))

SIR:

Request is hereby made for the following indicated extension of time for filing of the accompanying paper:

[] One Month
Fee in the amount of \$ 110.00 - \$ 55.00
enclosed.

[] Two Months
Fee in the amount of \$ 410.00 - \$ 205.00
enclosed.

[X] Three Months
Fee in the amount of X \$ 930.00 - \$ 465.00
enclosed.

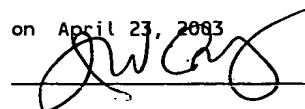
[] Four Months
Fee in the amount of \$1,450.00 - \$ 725.00
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[] Five Months
Fee in the amount of \$1,970.00 - \$ 985.00
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[] Verified Statement of "Small Entity" Status Under 37 CFR § 1.27(c), Reduced Fees Under 37 CFR § 1.9(f) and § 1.27(c)
paid herewith.

[] Please charge my Deposit Account No. 08-1540 in the amount of \$_____. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

[X] A check in the amount of \$930.00 to cover the fee is enclosed.

[X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee which may be required or credited any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-1540. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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